WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1906

KENTUCKY TOWN SEIZED BY A MOB

Tax Collector Forced to Return Goods He Levied.

DATES BACK 66 YEARS

Bonds Issued for Railroad Line 1-Pope Upheld By Cardinals. That Is Never Built.

Heirs of Purchases Sue and Special Levies Are Required-These Are Paid for Many Years, but Second Generation Rebels and Test Case Is Made and Lost-Merchant Protected by 1,000 Armed Men.

Olive Hill, Ky., Dec. 26.-Heavily armed and marching with the precision of 10-Protest Fire Escape Laws. trained troops, a mob of 1,006 men took 10-Leiter Chauffeur Freed. possession of Olive Hill early to-day and forced Levi White, the collector of taxes, to surrender a stock of merchandise on which he had levied for taxes.

The stock was removed from the col lector's home and returned to the store of Levi Oppenheimer, from which the ed band then paraded through the streets, firing volley after volley in celebration of their work. John Armstrong, a deputy sheriff, was shot in the foot, another man, whose name is not known WIFE SEES HUSBAND PERISH here, was slightly wounded by two bul-

The trouble which came to-day is of old standing. Sixty-six years ago bonds were issued by Carter, Elliott, and Boyd Counties to pay for the construction of the Lexington and Big Sandy Railroad. This road was never built

Special Levies Are Required.

The bonds passed into the hands of in nocent purchasers, for value, and suit was brought to require special levies of taxes to pay the interest and principal on the bonds. The levy was made and for many years the citizens of Carter and Elliott Counties have been bearing the burden of the increased taxation. The generation which voted the bonds

is now dead. The original purchasers are also dead, and the second generation now attempts to collect the money from the second generation from those who voted the bonds.

It is the opinion of the citizens here that the bonds were a mere speculation, nothing for the bonds.

to collect the taxes imposed for the purpose of paying the railroad claims. Judgment was secured against M. Oppenbeim
The less was continued by the terrible strain of Reeping himself and the key above water
and attempting to prevent their being
carried beneath the current.

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have been made public. The circumstance
that Senator Culberson has in his posif necessary, and just prior to leaving the er, and his stock of goods, carried in a general store, was seized, to be sold to tax collector's home.

case the men of the two interested coun- ing to his coat, sank, and was swept For several weeks citizens have been holding mass meetings to discuss the sit uation. They agreed that the time had The invasion of Olive Starts for Sheepshead Bay Early in Hill to-day was the result.

KENTUCKY CRIME OF A DAY.

Fatal Affrays in the Mountains and in Bluegrass Region.

William Mullins was lightly hurt. The there was no trace of her. Mullins were attacked in their homes by the Littles and over 200 shots were fired MILITIA CAPTAIN ARRESTED. before the former were shot down.

by Dan Watson whom Horne had at-In a general fight in Floyd County, Dep-

Jeff Parton, foreman of the Price Conshot and killed by William Shaw during a drunken row.

AUTOPSY REVEALS ARSENIC.

Poison in Deadly Dose Found in the Stomach of Martin Vizal.

Chicago, Dec. 26.-Arsenie in sufficient quantities to cause death was found today in the stomach of Martin Vrzal, known to have died from poisoning.

trouble. An analysis is yet to be made

Herman Billik, the hypnotist, held on dosed the father for weeks be-

fore his death, but says he gave him

TALK SCIENCE FOR A MONTH.

American Association Begins An-

nual Session in New York. New York, Dec. 26.-Fifteen hundred men and a few women are in town for tragedy to-night. the seventy-fifth meeting of the American President N. M. Butler, of Columbia, o'clock to-morrow morning. The retiring man, but was not quick enough. president, Dr. C. M. Woodward, will inroduce the new president. Dr W H Welch, of Johns Hopkins University. The president's address will be delivered by Dr. Woodward at Horace Mann Hall at 8 ck to-morrow night.

of education" is the subject. Make Every Dollar of Your Surplus Money earn interest. Deposit your funds in banking dept. of Union Trust Co., 1414 F st. Interest paid on all accounts.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia and Virginia, fair and somewhat warmer to-day; to-morrow partly cloudy; light to fresh westerly

HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

TELEGRAPHIC. 1-Science Body Begins Sessions To-day.

1-Kentucky Mob Seizes Town. -Dies Trying to Save Boy. -Militia Control Mississippi Situation.

-Senator Bailey in Active Fight. 3-Jackies on Ohio Win Customs Fight.

3-De Rayland's Body to Be Exhumed. 3-Troutman Mystery Still Unsolved. 3-Woman Sues Pastor for Loan.

LOCAL.

-Baby Burned to Death. -Andrew Gleeson Leaves \$125,000 Estate. -Representative Babcock Talks on Gas. -Senator Culberson Supports President.

-Aetna Bank Will Pay 20 Per Cent. -Mrs. Blaine to Be Married Government to Probe Whisky Firms

2-Cardozo Reinstated in Schools.

-Government After Oregon Short Line.

RISKS LIFE; BOTH DIE

officer of the law had taken it. The arm- George Davis Makes Vain Attempt to Rescue Boy.

When Almost Within Reach of Safety, Life Line, Which She Was should be no misunderstanding on that Holding, Breaks, and After Des- Sco perate Struggle, Man and Boy Are Swept Under Ice and Drowned,

the Rockaway River, George Davis was to that in the hands of the President rioting to-day, it is by no means certain drowned to-day when almost in reach of and the War Department, and should that the trouble is at an end. Gov. Vardahis wife, who was endeavoring to drag Senator Foraker make any assertions man ordered the Capital Light Guards, both her husband and the youngster from which will call for the production of that Capt. A. L. Fairley commanding, to go to

them, break, and both her husband and nature of this additional testimony, or a 3 o'clock to-morrow morning. A full supthe boy fall back into the water, where part of it, but it has not been filed at the ply of ammunition and one rapid-firing they were caught by the current and War Department.

tracted by the outeries of the distracted that the only grounds on which opposi-Judgment Is Secured.

Recently a test was made of the power

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The ice was so thin and treacheron: the men decided it would be suicidal to in the reports sent to Congress by the tions to the companies at Columbus and satisfy the judgment. The stock of life line. Two or three of the men hurgoods was removed from the store to the ried away to get a long, stout rope to The sale was to have been held to-day. back with it, however, he gave up the not oppose the resolution. They desire to and to-morrow morning a full battalion Realizing that this would be a test fight, and, with the little boy still hang- have the truth of the matter brought of State militia will be on the scene

POLICE PATROL BOAT LOST.

Morning and Fails to Arrive.

are entertained for the safety of three return indictments against any of patrolmen who sailed from Canarsie for negro soldiers does not appeal to Sena Sheepshead Bay in police patrol launch tor Culberson and other Texans. No. 6 this morning, and have not been ley Welch, who conducted a personal infatal shooting affrays occurred in Ken- seen or heard from since. The distance vestigation of the riot, made the un between the two points is only seven varnished statement, in his charge to the In a feud fight in Breathitt County be-tween Hiram and William Mullins and others on one side, and Bud Little,

Description:

Description of the two points is only seven miles, but the course they had to take grand jury, that negroes from the mili-tary post were guilty of the rioting. But, he went on to say, no indictments should be returned by the jury unless its mem-south shore of Long Island. A general between the two points is only seven miles, but the course they had to take grand jury, that negroes from the mili-tary post were guilty of the rioting. But, he went on to say, no indictments should be returned by the jury unless its mem-south shore of Long Island. A general police, and is pre-Charles Little, and John Brewer on the alarm has been sent out to all places bers had indubitable proof as to the pared to deny the black troopers admisthe abdomen and fatally wounded, and launch, but up to a late hour to-night

In Lee County, Dan Horne was killed Charged with Making Armory Employe Give Up Half His Wages.

New York, Dec. 26.-Capt. Louis Wen-Sheriff Allen killed John Bagley, del, of the First Battery, N. G., N. Y., John Allen was slightly wounded in the was arrested to-day on a warrant issued by Magistrate Crane, charging him as an to indict any of the negroes, indicated officer of the State with having unlaw-only a desire to do exact justice. struction Company, of Middlesboro, was fully received money for the performance of certain duties. Under section 48 of the penal code, this is a felony, punishable by a maximum penalty of ten years im- last Saturday. It was on that occasion prisonment or \$4,000 fine, or both,

Capt. Wendel surrendered himself to based on the single complaint of Edward Purdy to Texas, which had already been Martini, formerly assistant engineer at decided on. whose death was followed by that of his sixth street. The Martini case is alleged wife and five children. The mother is to be one among several charges of extension to have died from poisoning. In the bodies of four of the children made by employes at the armory in the arsenic has also been found. They were course of the investigation before Magis-

Martini, who is now a painter, living in contents of the fifth child's the Bronx, charges that Capt. Wendel particularly interested. engaged him on June 1, 1903, as assistant one-half of the wages.

KILL THEMSELVES IN JAIL.

Woman and Her Lover Swallow Poison in Sight of Guard.

Elmira, N. Y., Dec. 26.-The Elmira County jail was the scene of a double

A woman named Bessie Wells occupied Association for the Advancement of a cell in the woman's dormitory, awaiting the President's plan is silly. Science, which opens to-morrow, and will sentence, on January 3, for abducting a continue through January. Seventeen affiliated societies will also be in session. from the woman, and who is said to have Most of the meetings will be held at Co- been in love with her, called at the jail partment yesterday gave rise to the suslumbia University. Earl Hail is the gen- and said that he wished to obtain the picion that he was having conferences eral headquarters. The executive com- woman's signature to some papers. He with the President and Secretary Taft certain officers of the company. mittee of the association completed ar- was shown to her cell by a guard, who in regard to the Brownsville affair, and rangements to-day at the Hotel Belmont.

President N. M. Butler, of Columbia, her. Suddenly Delaney passed a bottle will deliver an address of welcome at the first general session in Earl Hall at 10 his own lips. The guard sprang upon the Senator replying to Senator Foraker's expected attack. Direct inquiry of the Wisconsin Senator quickly dissipated this suspicion.

Mann Hall at 8
"The science ct.

Housekeepers who desire to dispose of their furniture or personal effects will find the best market at Sloan's, 1407 G st. Sale every Saturday at 10 a. m. An old, reliable concern; strictly auction commission

siness; always working for owners Realize the Difference.

CULBERSON STANDS WITH ROOSEVELT

Says Discharge of Troops Was Justifiable.

ing of General Indictments.

Senator Spooner Will Not Defend President's Action-Is Studying the ing. Case for His Own Satisfaction and Been Done Many Good Soldiers-Investigation Gratifying to Mr. Taft.

Senator Culberson, of Texas, fully approves the action of the President in the Brownsville case. He made a statement to a representative of The Washington Herald last night which effectually disposed of all doubt as to his position in

"It is my opinion," he said, "that the President was authorized by law to discharge the negro troops without honor as he did, and that, moreover, he was In Full Panoply of War, He wholly justified by the facts.

"So far as the matter of a further investigation is concerned," continued the Senator, "it should be understood that the people of Brownsville are not only willing to have the incident thoroughly probed, but have been demanding that i be looked into by the Federal authorities ever since the night of the riot. There

While Senator Culberson did not out line his plans for the future, it is under stood that he may have something to say on the floor of the Senate when Senator Foraker calls up his investiga Morristown, N. J., Dec. 26.-In a desper- tion resolution after the holidays. It ate effort to save John Arke, eight years is known that he has a considerable old, who had broken through the ice on amount of testimony, which is additional riots state that while there has been no testimony, it is reasonable to assume that Scooba and relieve the Meridian com-With despairing face, she saw the the Texan will bring it forward. Secre- pany. The soldiers left here at 7 o'clock clothesline, with which she was aiding tary Taft has been apprised of the with forty men and will reach Scooba at

swept under the ice to death. She and | Have All Facts Been Ascertained? that the bonds were a mere speculation, even when originally bought, being sold at a low value. The people of the counties affected feel that they owe nothing, not they did not create the debt, and more especially do they feel this, as the money especially do they feel this, as the money mand the process of the distracted for the counties of the distracted for the counties of the distracted for the counties affected feel that they owe nothing, not the river bank screaming for help. Attack the feel dand confer with the leaders of both races.

The position of several leading Democrats who, like Senator Culberson, are inclined to act rather than talk, and who invariably fortify themselves with facts before taking any step of importance, is of both races. to indicate, therefore, a probability that train over the Mobile and Ohio. The comthrow to Davis. Before they could get these Senators of the minority side will panies started shortly after midnight,

out, and are of the opinion that while which ought to be sufficient to restore the facts already in evidence justify the order.

President in discharging the negro While it is generally believed that the Tragedy Follows Children's Cardinals Unanimous on Polsoldiers as he did, nothing can be lost by dacing on the records the data in the hands of Senator Culberson, as well as that which Senator Foraker has collected. The attempt to make capital out of the New York, Dec. 26.-The gravest fears failure of the Brownsville grand jury to identity of the individuals composing the

party which "shot up" the town. Judge that all trouble is over, Welch held that it would not be just to individuals who caused the trouble such as the indictment of persons who guilt was not proven. Texans assert that this action on the part of the judge, and the subsequent failure of the grand jury Conferred with Secretary Taft.

Senator Culberson conferred with Secre tary Taft, at the request of the latter that he informed the Secretary of the additional testimony in his possession, and

Maj. Blocksom, one of the army officers who conducted the original investigation on which the President's order of dismissal was based, has been ordered to Texas again for the purpose, it is under stood, of looking into certain phases of the matter in which the administration is

The President discussed the Brownsville Herman Billik, the hypnotist, held on a charge of poisoning the Vrzals, admits that he dosed the father for weeks he asses a bill reinstating the discharged oldiers, and ne information was forthoming at the White House offices which uld indicate that the President had taken any cognizance of the statement of ington Herald yesterday, that the story sence of an official denial of that story

it is obvious that Senator Foraker

Spooner Not to Defend President. The fact that Senator Spooner called at the White House and the War Dethat he would defend the President by replying to Senator Foraker's expected attack. Direct inquiry of the Wisconsin Both died before a physician could be White House not to discuss the Browns-

A la Carte Lunch Served Daily

BAILEY IN ACTIVE FIGHT.

Makes Second Canvass of County Which Votes on Him Saturday. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 26.-Senator Bailey who canvassed Comanche County last week, has been called back into the county by the urgent appeals of his

He was to have addressed a mass meetng here to-morrow. This meeting, however, has been canceled, and Bailey today returned to Comanche County to make a second canvass of the county. WHY JURY DID NOT ACT The member of the legislature from Comanche, an anti-Bailey man, was instructed last July to vote for Bailey Recently he declared against Bailey, and Judge Charged Against Return- a new primary was ordered. If Balley wins next Saturday's election, the anti-Bailey member must vote for him. If Bailey loses, the member is released from his obligation of last July.

Three other special elections are pend-ing. One is for a representative in the One Hundred and Fourth district on Janpary 1, another for a State Senator Guidance-Believes Injustice Has the Twentieth district on January 21, and a special primary for Travis County, including the city of Austin, on January 5 The vote in these three latter elections s likely to be influenced by the result in

Former Attorney General M. M. Crane, Cullen Thomas, and other anti-Bailey leaders are canvassing against the Sen

VARDAMAN AT FRONT

Goes to Quell Race Riot.

12 BLACKS, 4 WHITES KILLED

Rioting Not Renewed Yesterday, but Trouble Not Entirely Over-Highwood Will Refuse Admittance to Negro Soldiers from Fort Sheridan and Organizes Special Police Force

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 26.-Reports received to-night from the scene of the race Colt s field gun was carried.

Gov. Vardaman accompanied the troops,

Dead Number Sixteen.

Adjt. Gen. Arthur W. Fridge left this President and Secretary Taft would seem Macon to proceed to Scooba on the first

> between the races is such that another outbreak may occur at any moment. According to reports from the most re table sources, the total list of killed since twelve negroes and four white men

Town Will Bar Negro Soldiers. Chicago, Dec. 26.-In terror of race tro

oles at Fort Sheridan following the shooting yesterday of Corp. William Taylor, of the Ninth Cavalry, colored, by Sergt. Griffin, of the same company, the adjoinsion within its boundaries until satisfied

Officers at the fort say that Highwood is to blame for the crime, the dives were known. The shooting was an there having always attracted many of outrage, in his opinion, but that wrong the soldiers. Griffin, it is pointed out, was not to be righted by another wrong, spent the day at Highwood and drank Taylor in a fight over a woman. Griffin has threatened suicide, and is

OVERLOOK LEAVENWORTH ROW

War Department Will Leave Case to Commander in Missouri.

The War Department does not conthe court and was bailed out in \$2,500. offered some suggestions regarding the row at Leavenworth, but will leave the the girl was beyond recovery. The warrant against Capt. Wendell is visit of the assistant to Attorney General matter in the hands of the commander of the Department of the Missouri, who children, rushed into the house, and while So far there have been no official dispatches on the subject.

PREPARE TO COUNT BALLOTS.

State Superintendent and Clerks Sort Life Insurance Votes.

New York, Dec. 26.-The work preliminary to counting the ballots cast at the recent insurance elections in the New of the plan he will follow if Congress York Life, the Mutual Life, and the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Companies, body to the house. The funeral services the Catholic church. was begun to-day, when, under the supervision of State Superintendent Kelsey and his deputies, a large corps of tellers and clerks started to sort and arrange the ballots according to geographical location.

The grand jury held a special session

Have Perished in Bitzzard. this afternoon to continue its investigation into the affairs of the New York go on record as being of the opinion that Life Insurance Company. Several witnesses, employes in the treasury department of the company, were examined by

District Attorney Jerome. The present grand jury is expected to get through with its particular investigaments, it was said, might be filed against Subsequent grana juries are expected to take up the investigation of the socalled navigation bond scandal and the Mexican bond transactions.

Barge and Men May Be Lost.

Delaware Breakwater, Del., Dec. 26.-The ville case with the President, but on tug I. J. Merritt, of New York, arrived other business.

It is understood that the President has counseled with Senator Spooner in regard to his action in the discharge of the men of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, but CONTINUED ON THIRD PAGE.

A la Carie Lunch Served Data counseled with Senator Spooner in regard to his action in the discharge of four pontoons in tow Monday night, when definitely known how many men the miss-Try our coals. J. Maury Dove Company. at Eckstein's from 12 to 3. 1412 N. Y. ave. ing barge carried.

The Herald's Growth

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It is essentially the people's paper. The substantial support it is receiving—its enlarging clientele—proves conclusively that it is just the sort of morning newspaper Washington wants. Not yet three months old, it has only begun to grow.

The Herald last week printed, circulated, and sold 189,434 papers-a daily average of 27,062. The daily averages for

I solemnly swear that the above statement represents the number of copies of The Washington Herald actually circulated and sold daily during the weeks named, ended December 22, 1906. J. HARRY CUNNINGHAM, Auditor. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of

December, A. D. 1906. PAUL F. CAIN, Notary Public.

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BABY DIES OF BURNS POPE UPHELD BY ALL

men of Washington follow.

Frolic with Fire.

William Manuel's Children, Alone in Realizing the Impossibility of Suc-Room, Bring Sorrow to Returning cess in Following Harsh Anti-re-Parents-The Victim Is a Fourteen-Months-Old Infant Asleep in Her Christmas Rocking Horse,

Under the shadow of a Christmas tree. daughter of Gertrude and William Man- Sacred College unanimously upholds the uel, was burned to death last night in her Pope's French policy, and that even car- power. home at 1327 Third street southwest. The mother had left the house for a

heavily there before he returned to kill her absence the three small children had means likely to lead to a solution of the gathered around the fire. Little Lillian French crisis, was seated in a rocking horse that had The French government is gradually sleeping quietly. Her brother William, from a harsh anti-religious policy, and, six years old, lighted a piece of paper and powerless to crush Catholicism, is now was waving it about his head, when a resorting to the expedient of new laws, spark feil on the dress of the little girl and hoping thereby to neutralize the Vatican's soon set her clothes in flames. Startled by firm and calm opposition, the child's screams, the brother rushed But the Pope is determined not to defor water, but before he could be of as- sist until direct overtures are made, and

Neighbors, hearing the weeping of the called the Emergency ambulance and no- opposed Merry del Val are now among his is more purely tified the parents. When the ambulance

arrived the child was dead An affecting scene was enacted when the bereaved mother arrived at the house and saw the little form encased in an ominous sheet. It was long before the woman could be quieted, and even after her sobs had died away the cries of the naturally, he could not openly express, lonely brother and sister were plainly

The morgue master pronounced a verwill be held to-morrow

SOLDIERS DIE IN SNOWSTORM.

Paris, Dec. 26.—According to a dispatch received from the villages of Pyrennes to bring the ministry to terms. and Vosges, many persons, including a detachment of soldiers have lost their lives in a snowstorm. The storm has continued with unabated Senate refused to send it to a special violence for over forty-eight hours, and

ountry are in the throes of the worst

blizzard they have ever had. Ex-Senator Caffery Is Sinking. New Orleans, Dec. 26.-After improvin so as to give his family hope of his ultimate recovery, ex-Senator Caffery sufmate recovery, ex-Senator Caffery suffered a relapse this morning, and to-night cago River. His body was not found unis again in a critical condition.

train. Sleepers, however, are ready for occupancy at Jersey City, 10 p. m.

icy Pursued in France.

SPARKS SET DRESS IN FLAMES GOVERNMENT IS WEAKENING

ligious Policy, Ministry Is Becoming Conciliatory - His Holiness Rome. Dec. 26.-It is understood here dlepower at which the gas was to be fur-Lillian Manuel, the fourteen-months-old and from many authorities that the nished?

dinals, hitherto credited with liberal tendencies, are now convinced that the Vatimoment to speak to a neighbor, and in can's policy of resistance is the only

template making an investigation of the sistance the flames had been inhaled and if the threatened measures are carried it was all right. rangements have been completed for the

> When the cardinals were received by the in the gas. Pope on Christmas Eve his satisfaction at their perfect union was great, and his allusitn to the unity of the episcopate was "How in the h—do I know? intended to convey his appreciation of a gas expert. Look here" the union among the cardinals, which, The Vatican is counting on the emigra- the basement of his house-went over tion of the best of the French rural population to convince the Gaelic government burned with a clear, steady flame

The effect of the government's antiin population to appear soon in the census

Religious Bill in Senate. Paris. Dec. 26.-The religious bill was excellences. deposited with the Senate to-day. The

committee, and by a vote of 183 to 80 sent

the two villages and the surrounding it to the standing separation comm Many See Man Jump to Death Chicago, Dec. 26.-With hundreds of perons passing him on their way from work to-night, Fritz Kusser shouted a farewell, leaped over the rail of the Fullerton ave-

> til several hours later. Kusser was out of Earthquake Destroys Town. San Diego, Chile, Dec. 26 .- A large portion of the town of Arica, in Tacna province, the northernmost part of Chile. bordering on Peru, has been destroyed by an earthquake, and much damage to the surrounding country is reported. So

far no loss of life is known

BABCOCK ON GAS AND GAS REDUCTION

ONE CENT.

Only Man in Congress Who Ever Cut the Price.

FINEST OF LIGHT HERE

Doesn't Own Dollar's Worth of Public Service Stock.

He Is Through with Congress and Is Going Out Right-Proposes to Do His Duty by the People and Will Get After the Gas Company and Street Car Companies If He Finds They Are Making Too Much Money.

"I'm through now with Congress, and all I want is to leave it rightright, you understand! I've got all the money I need-money to burnthat is, I can't spend my income-and I've earned a rest. But I don't hold a dollar's worth of stock in any publie service corporation-never did. Why, I could have bought Traction when it was down to 45, like a whistle, and made a fortune-never touched it, though. This gas proposition-they say it's making so much money. It don't look good to me, selling at 60. Not for mine. I'm here to do my duty by the people, and if the street cars are making too much money we'll have universal transfers or reduced fares, or something, and if gas can be made cheaper now than it could ten years ago, we'll have cheaper gas. I'm in the public service, and when I get out of it I want

to get out right. Thus spoke the Hon. Joseph Weeks Babcock, of Wisconsin, expiring Congressman and expiring chairman of the House Committee on District Affairs, yesterday afternoon, at his home on B street. He used the words and jerky phrases quoted in concluding an interview on gas. His views were sought to illuminate the subject now engrossing the thoughts of all Washington. When it was first broached-gas-by the interviewer, the passing statesman was touchy. He was profane, in fact. His language was awful-unfit to print. He had a copy of The Washington Herald before him, and had been reading the account printed in Wednesday's issue, in which Representative Sims told how the House killed the stock watering gas scheme in 1901 and how, in its indignation, it ordered the District Committee to report a bill reducing the price of gas-and how the com-

mittee did not do it. True Friend of District.

An interesting bit of gas history it was, but the passing statesman from Wiscon sin did not like it. He disputed the printed version and gave shocking ex-"They accuse me of taking no interest

in this gas question," he said, after the profane outburst, and when he had quieted down. "Why, I am the only man who ver reduced the price of gas and electric light in the District of Columbia. When was this?

"Oh, I can't remember the dates. My secretary is not here. Eight or ten years ago I reduced the price of electric light from 15 to 10 cents, and of gas from \$1.25 to \$1.00. It never would have been done "But about this matter of the bill that

was referred from the House to your committee, reducing the price of gas on a slidng scale so that on July 1, 1904, it would have been 75 cents. Why did you ignore that?" "I didn't ignore it. I was ill. Why, I

had been ill for four months. Jenkins had the bill in charge. But I crawled up to the House and called it up, and that was Awaits Direct Overtures of Peace. all I could do. I was too ill."
"In the bill which was passed reducing the price of gas from \$1.25 to \$1.00, did your mittee agree upon any standard can-

> "Yes. We made it twenty-six candle-"Recause that is the limit. That is the

pest quality of gas that can be furnished.

'Did you know that subsequent to that been one of her Christmas gifts and was realizing the negative results obtained a 'joker' was slipped into the appropriation bills for the District of Columb reducing the requirement in this regard

to twenty-two candlepower?" "Yes, I heard something of it." "Did you or your committee prote! against this reduction in quality? "Not protest. We inquired, and fount

"How all right?" "Why, they showed us that the gas at rganization of private religious worship, twenty-two candlepower was in reality will, in due course, send a report to Washington.

The entire Sacred College has submitted a good deal better than that at twenty-to the Pope's will. Cardinals who formerly six candlepower. The lower grade gas

higher power, they have to put more oil "Is it cheaper to furnish twenty-two "How in the h- do I know? I'm not The Representative from Wisconsin-

this interview was held in the office in the mantelpiece and lighted the gas. It

Beats an Electric Light. "Look at that!" he exclaimed, "Isn't clerical policy will be felt in the cities, that a fine light? It's brighter than that o, it is believed, but it is in the country whole bunch of electric lights. Now that's where the church is strongest, that the the gas the people of the District are getply see expects the exodus to be greatest. ting. It's better gas than is furnished in The Pope confidently expects the decrease any city of the Union. It burns clear

and steady-a fine light-yes, sir, a fine He was as enthusiastic as if he were selling gas himself and demonstrating its

"Is the District of Columbia getting gas as cheaply as it should, in your opi "Well, I'm not sure of that. When I went into the matter before I went clear to the bottom of it. I demanded from Mr. Orme, the secretary of the company, a complete statement as to their expenses for the year, their income, their purchases of coal, the cost of their labor and so on. As I remember, that report convinced the committee that the gas company was serving gas to its customers at about 68 cents a thousand. On that showing we made the price \$1."

"And what about now?" "Well, we shall have to wait until the matter comes up.

"Has it not already come up? Is not the bill of Mr. Madden in the hands of

"Yes-well, we shall probably ask for the same sort of report again, and shall

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